



# President's Highlights

What does March mean to you? There's St. Patrick's Day, St. Joseph's Day, The Ides of March (LOL), sometimes Ash Wednesday, sometimes Easter and always my son's birthday. And in Dallas the start of Spring. For ASG members, it's looking forward to Lynda Maynard's Workshop on the 7th. Those who have signed up be prepared to be wowed by her couture techniques.

And how are you doing with the "Red Hot Mess" created by our talented Special Events Team? I'm looking forward to seeing all the fabulous creations sometime in May. And if you've picked up a packet but realize you just don't have time to create something, please let me know. There is a waiting list!

I trust by now you have reserved your room to attend the ASG National Conference in July in San Antonio. If not, go to [asg.org](http://asg.org) website and click on

[conference](#). Don't delay. Rooms are going like hotcakes. "Red Carpet Fiesta: Who Are You Wearing?" is the theme of this year's ASG Fashion Show. How much fun will it be to dress like your favorite person? Deadline is May 15.

Last month I encouraged everyone to start thinking of ways to increase our membership. National has a prize for the Chapter that increases membership the most. That Chapter will be gifted an Educational Event. How cool is that?

We hope to host Sewcial Sew again later later this month. We are working with management of Willowbend Mall to host one in the soon to be open Live 360 space near the food court. Target date is March 28 but details are still being worked out so keep your eyes and ears open for the details.

Make sure you scroll down to see the slide show from this year's Retreat along with a little bit of retreat packing fun. But we saved the best for last.....the "We're Sew Special" Neighborhood Group that has been going strong for 25 years.

Happy creating,

***Marie***

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## Let's Get Together at Our Chapter Events

Check out the [calendar](#) to get info on Neighborhood group meetings, Homegrown Workshops, Special Events and other sewing related events around town.

## What New on Social Media?

In case you missed it, here are the a couple of our most popular posts from last month.



***Annual Retreat was  
SEW MUCH FUN!***

***More Retreat - Just For Fun!***

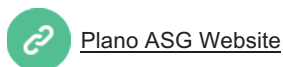
Enjoy these retreat highlights:

It's a lot of work, but sew worth it!

[Watch the retreat recap video](#)

[Watch it on Instagram>>](#)

Click the buttons below to follow us on social media and keep up with the latest sewing community and chapter news.



## Monthly Neighborhood Group Highlight

Every month our neighborhood groups host fun and educational meetings. Each month we will highlight one of them to help you get to know them better. If something peeks your interest, go visit and join the fun!

### *Meet the We're Sew Special Group*



**WE'RE SEW  
SPECIAL  
CELEBRATING  
25 YEARS  
SEWING  
TOGETHER!**



This group meets at **First Baptist Church, Mesquite** located at 127 E Kimbrough St. on the **1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM**. They focus on all types of sewing. Look at the picture to see the variety of their projects!

To join the mailing list and receive monthly emails about We're Sew Special meetings, scroll to the **very bottom** of this email and click "Update Your Preferences" and check the box by the We're Sew Special group.

## Don't Forget Your Member Benefits!



- [Conversations](#): Member only discussion board
- [ASG Online! Videos & Projects](#) plus [Chapter tutorials](#)
- See our [website](#) for store discount details and exclusions.

## Your Chapter Advisory Board (& More)

- President: [Marie Barrese](#) (click on the name to email)
- Co-VP and Special Events Chair: [Karen Neal and Beverly Vance](#)
- Community Service Chair: [Carol Boyd](#) (volunteer!)
- Donations Manager: [Mary Anderson](#) (donate!)
- Homegrown Workshop Coordinator: [Terri Baker](#)
- Membership Co-Chairs: [Debby Bowles and Linda Davis](#)
- Retail Liaison: [Maggie Tinnin](#)
- Retreat Coordinator: [Sharon Carter-Merlo](#)
- Social Media/MailChimp Manager: [Sheryl Belson](#) (send me pictures!)
- Special Events Photographer: [Barbara Pena](#)
- Storage Unit Team: [Pam Walker](#), [Mary Anderson](#), and [Jane Dempsey](#)
- Treasurer: [Sandie Griego](#)

- Website Co-Chairs: [Kelli Robertson and Sheryl Belson](#)



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